

SUPPLEMENTARY NOTICE OF ALLOWANCE

EXAMINER'S AMENDMENT

1. An examiner's amendment to the record appears below. Should the changes and/or additions be unacceptable to applicant, an amendment may be filed as provided by 37 CFR 1.312. To ensure consideration of such an amendment, it MUST be submitted no later than the payment of the issue fee.

Authorization for this examiner's amendment was given in a telephone interview with Robert N. Rountree on November 8, 2012, as provided by 37 C.F.R. 1.312.

In addition, and as a supplementary amendment to the examiner's amendment as authorized by applicant's representative and as mailed on October 29, 2012, the following amendment to the claim language has been authorized by applicant's representative: The application has been amended as follows:

In Claim 11: the verbiage "as in claim 1" (line 1) has been replaced by "as in claim 6".

END OF SUPPLEMENTARY EXAMINER'S AMENDMENT.

The following is an examiner's statement of reasons for allowance: The reasons for allowance are identical as set forth in the Notice of Allowance mailed 10/29/12, which are herewith included by reference.

2. Any comments considered necessary by applicant must be submitted no later than the payment of the issue fee and, to avoid processing delays, should preferably accompany the issue fee. Such submissions should be clearly labeled "Comments on Statement of Reasons for Allowance."

Any inquiry concerning this communication or earlier communications from the examiner should be directed to JOHANNES P. MONDT whose telephone number is (571)272-1919. The examiner can normally be reached on 8:00 - 5:30.

If attempts to reach the examiner by telephone are unsuccessful, the examiner's supervisor, Kimberly D. Rizkallah can be reached on 571-272-2402. The fax phone number for the organization where this application or proceeding is assigned is 571-273-8300.

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